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PATENT APPLICATION
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Attorney Docket No. 21547/0287

First Named Inventor or Application Identifier

Title

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
PRODUCING ELONGATE SUPPORT
ELEMENT AND PRODUCT, AND USE OF
THE SUPPORT ELEMENT

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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1. ☒ Filing fee as calculated below.
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages [14]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Pages [2]
5. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages [2]
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)
- i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence
Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
- ii. ☐ paper
- c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment papers (cover sheet & document(s)) SEE NEXT PAGE FOR ASSIGNEE INFORMATION
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Other:

17. U.S. CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. 09/423,090

Prior application information: Examiner N. Lucchesi

Group/Art Unit: 3732

For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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